

**REMARKS**

The Examiner required restriction of one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-7, and 16-17, drawn to a feed composition.
- II. Claims 8-12, and 18, drawn to therapeutic methods.
- III. Claims 13-14, drawn to methods of preparation of an animal feed.
- IV: Claim 15, drawn to a method of raising animals.


In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group I including claims 1-7 and 16-17. Applicants specifically reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to non elected claims 8-15 and 18.

For all of the above stated reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding restriction requirement and favorable allowance of all claims in the instant application are earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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